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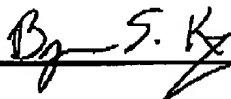
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Serial Number 09/695,231	)	Examiner: Nguyen, T.
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For: AUTOMATIC VENDING MACHINE	)	
HAVING A CONTROL SYSTEM	)	
CAPABLE OF EASILY AND RELIABLY	)	
REWRITING A CONTROL PROGRAM	)	
IN EACH TERMINAL CONTROL UNIT	)	

**RESPONSE**

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Sir:

The Office Action mailed June 25, 2004 has been carefully reviewed and, in view of the following remarks, reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.